

EGGS! EGGS!

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GUARANTEED
 PER DOZEN 35 CENTS.

ROSS, HIGGINS & CO.
 Good Goods Our Specialty.

Local Brevities.

Home-made sauerkraut, 5c per lb. Astoria Grocery Co.

The winter term of the public schools will commence next Monday.

Special inducements offered in dress and walking skirts this week at Foard & Stokes Co.

Fred Amundson of the Tillamook lightship is in the city on his semi-annual vacation.

There will be services in all the churches today to which the public is cordially invited.

Special inducements offered in cook stoves and air-tight heaters this week at Foard & Stokes Co.

The water rates are due and payable next Tuesday, January 10. If not paid the usual rule will be enforced.

A marriage license was issued yesterday by County Clerk Clinton to J. E. Grotting and Miss Margaret M. Wahl.

The chamber of commerce will meet in annual session Monday night. Election of officers will take place. A full attendance is requested.

Our large stock of Reliable Footwear will be sold this month at a great reduction. Don't miss it. Wherity, Ralston & Co.

Great reduction in dry goods and clothing will be made during the month of January at our annual sale, now going on. C. H. Cooper.

Mr. Fuqua, a prominent attorney of Cathlamet, was married this week to Miss Peterson of Cathlamet. They will make Cathlamet their home.

Our annual sale commences on Tuesday, January 10; every article in the store reduced—with a few exceptions, C. H. Cooper.

Rev. Chas F. Weigle, a noted singer and evangelist of Newport, Ky., will begin a series of meetings at Peniel Mission February 2.

The school board met last evening. The resignation of Mrs. Barnes was accepted and Miss Violet Bowly was appointed to fill the vacancy.

The Columbia river lightship was brought into the harbor yesterday by the lighthouse tender Heather and will be taken to Portland for repairs.

The Methodist church has organized a new choir which will sing at the morning and evening service. Mrs. George Watkins will sing at the evening service.

The common council will meet in regular session tomorrow night. An ordinance providing for advertising for the city printing may possibly come up for action.

Our large stock of fine dry goods, clothing, furnishing goods and all will be placed on reduced sale prices during the next 30 days. C. H. Cooper, the leading house of Astoria.

It is claimed that Mrs. Saylor reported drowned at Skamokawa, was not drowned, but that she left on the morning boat for Astoria and took the boat for Ilwaco in company with a young man, and that they were going to Seattle.

The charge against W. H. Davis for embezzling money belonging to Ross, Higgins & Co. was dismissed yesterday. He has paid all the costs and made satisfactory arrangements to reimburse the firm for all moneys due. Davis was released from custody.

Mrs. C. A. Gearhart declined the appointment of county superintendent of schools and the county court appointed Miss E. C. Warren. Her bonds were fixed at \$1000.

Water consumers are notified that water rates must be paid at the office of the water commission on or before next Tuesday, and all delinquents will be subject to the usual penalty.

The report of Road Supervisor D. R. Blount was filed yesterday in the county court. It showed that \$1233 had been collected in poll taxes, all of which had been turned over to the treasurer.

Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Keutner entertained a number of friends at their home last evening. Ice cream, but no egg nog was served. A very enjoyable evening was spent, the guests being royally entertained.

The Ralston Physical Culture Club will resume work next Monday evening, January 9, at Fishers' hall. Members are requested to be on hand promptly at 8 o'clock. All interested persons are cordially invited to attend this meeting.

There is no complaint about business at the Star saloon. Good goods and courteous treatment will draw trade to any first-class saloon. That's what makes business good at the Star. The best is none too good for our customers.

The O. R. & N. Co. have a force of surveyors in the field surveying the water front preparatory to extending its wharf out to the harbor lines. As soon as the survey is completed and the report filed, work on the proposed extension will be commenced.

Bids were opened yesterday by the county court for printing a tax register and tax receipts for the 1904 tax roll. Two bids were submitted as follows: News, \$87.50; Astorian, \$82. The contract was awarded to the Astorian.

At the session of the county court yesterday the drawing of the petit jury was completed. Reports from the various road supervisors were read and the bondsmen exonerated. The court adjourned until January 18, at which time the tax levies will be fixed.

It is reported that J. Bruce Polworth recently elected prosecuting attorney for Wahkiakum county has tendered his resignation to the county court and that Mr. Fuqua has been appointed to succeed him. Mr. Polworth will move to Astoria and open an office for the practice of law.

It is reported that James McClarney will be appointed pound master and dog catch next week. Last year only 42 licenses were paid on dogs and it is claimed that it does not represent the actual number of dogs in the city, and that a large revenue is lost to the city by the non-enforcement of the ordinance.

Arrangements have been consummated whereby the Astoria Sash and Door Factory at Smith's point will soon resume operations. The plant has not been running for some time, but a company has been organized which has purchased the plant, and as soon as the details have been completed work will be resumed.

REWARD—We shall give \$10 in gold as a first prize, and \$5 as a second prize to the boy or girl under 18 years of age, writing the best poem of two or more verses, using the MONARCH RANGE as subject of the poem. All poems to be handed in before 6 p. m. on February 16, 1905. Charles Hellborn & Son, Complete House-furnishers, 590-592 Commercial Street.

Considerable trouble has been experienced with the wood pipe from Bear creek to the reservoir, and at the Bear creek to the reservoir, and at the meeting of the water commission the superintendent was instructed to order 1000 feet of 18-inch steel pipe to replace the wood pipe when necessary. It was also decided to extend the mains to the wharf of the Callendar Transportation Company.

The usual row occurred in the World's Fair saloon yesterday morning. A man named Evans put up a dollar for a round of drinks and the bartender insisted that he only put up 50 cents. A disgraceful row occurred in which Evans' right arm was broken. He appeared before the county court yesterday morning. A warrant was sworn out for the arrest of his assailant. This saloon has been considered a disreputable joint and when the new charter is passed it will be impossible for such places to secure a license.

A BIG RUSE.

A large number of Bargain hunters have already crowded Herman Wise's Clothing Store; fortunately Mr. Wise's stock of fine overcoats and suits for Men and Boys is so large that a great many more smart buyers can get suited without trouble; this is certainly the greatest sale of fine goods in Oregon. Don't wait too long and be sorry later. NOW is the time to get special Bargains at Herman Wise's big Clothing shop. WISE knows how.

PERSONAL MENTION.

E. W. Langdon of Albany was in the city yesterday.

M. P. Gorman of Cathlamet was in the city yesterday.

Timothy Richards of Skamokawa was in the city yesterday.

Mrs. Captain Ingram of Cathlamet was in the city yesterday.

H. R. Nelson and wife of Deep River were in the city yesterday.

C. T. Peterson of Tacoma was in Astoria yesterday on business.

Harry Hamblet of Portland was in the city yesterday on business.

Miss Maggie Shanks has returned from a visit with friends at Victoria.

Robert Lindenberg left yesterday on a business trip to San Francisco.

Dan. J. Moore of Seaside passed through Astoria yesterday from Portland, en route home.

Miss Todd, a teacher in the Adair school, returned yesterday from a visit with friends in Portland.

Paul Wessinger of the Weinhard Brewing Company of Portland was in the city yesterday on business.

Senator Jay Tuttle and Representatives Burns and Laws left last evening for Salem for the 40 days' session of the legislature.

Mrs. Johnson of Portland is in the city visiting her son, N. D. Johnson. Mrs. Johnson will leave next week for a visit to California.

Ben Hawkins of San Francisco was registered at the Occident yesterday.

M. Meyer of Chinook was a visitor in Astoria yesterday.

C. E. Palmer, representing Blake, McFall Company of Portland, who has been in the city the past few days in the interest of his firm, returned to Portland last evening.

"Rudolph and Adolph."

Broadhurst and Curries will present the merry musical farce comedy, "Rudolph and Adolph," at Fishers' next Thursday evening. This will be strictly a first-class attraction in the musical farce line and one that will prove most satisfying to the theatrical as well as the general public. If the well-seasoned judgment of capable critics may be taken as a criterion, "Rudolph and Adolph" has been one of the greatest laughing successes in all the large cities during the past three seasons and the same standard of excellence fixed by its production in New York, Boston, Chicago, Philadelphia, will be continued. All the appointments for a high class performance are carried on tour, and the cast has been chosen with great care and judgment. Seat sale opens Wednesday morning at Griffin's book store.

The Flood Gates Were Open.

All Astoria seemed to be there. The big store was surely the center of attraction. People will take advantage of genuine money saving opportunities. The big sacrifice sale of \$15,000 worth of fine suits, overcoats, cravettes, pants, hats, shoes and furnishings appeals to every person, for no such opportunity ever occurred in this city. We saw many out of town faces in the crowd, as the news of this true blue sale has traveled in every direction. The announcement that S. Danziger & Co. would sacrifice \$15,000 worth of their finest and best goods was a signal for a rush, and it will continue for weeks, as the stock must be reduced to such size as will allow the workmen to commence alterations on the entire building early in February. The work will be pushed with all speed in order to have the store ready for Spring trade. Don't miss visiting the big sacrifice sale now going on, for you will never have such money saving opportunities again. This is the best week, as the stock is complete in all departments.

RATES CHANGED.

Alaska Is Opened to the Newspaper Correspondents.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 7.—The secretary of war has approved the recommendation of the chief signal officer reducing the press rates between Seattle and points in Alaska to one-half of the present tariffs. The cable rates remain unchanged, but the land tariffs between stations in Alaska will be changed somewhat at an early date.

STORM RAGING.

Dike at Mouth of Elbe May Crumble and Fall.

Berlin, Jan. 7.—A storm is raging on the north coast of Germany that excels in intensity that of a week ago. A flood is threatened that may destroy the protected dike near the mouth of the Elbe, and large detachments from the neighboring garrisons are at work strengthening it. The damage already done is heavy.

NAHCOTTA NEWS.

Appointment of Postmaster Met With General Approval.

Sheriff-elect A. B. McDonald and his estimable wife will shortly leave us to take up their residence in South Bend. Mr. McDonald will take his office the first of next week and Mrs. McDonald will leave as soon as Postmaster Brown receives his commission.

THIRD ANNUAL

January

Clearance Sale

GREAT BARGAINS IN WAISTS

Our entire waist stock to go at one-half price.

\$1.00 Waists	..... 50
1.50 Waists	..... 75
2.00 Waists	..... 1.25
2.50 Waists	..... 1.75
3.00 Waists	..... 2.00

BOYS' CLOTHING

Great selling of boys' winter clothing. Prices reduced lower than ever.

\$6.00 Suits	..... \$4.00
5.00 Suits	..... 3.50
4.00 Suits	..... 2.50
3.00 Suits	..... 1.95
2.50 Suits	..... 1.48

GREAT BARGAINS IN SUITS AND COATS

Unrestricted choice of our entire line of ladies' Coats and Suits at prices never before heard of in the history of cloak and suit selling in Astoria.

\$15.00 Suits	at \$ 8.00
17.50 Suits	at 9.50
20.00 Suits	at 11.50
25.00 Suits	at 14.48
30.00 Suits	at 17.50

CHILDREN'S COATS

One-half Price on all Misses and Children's Coats. We are determined to carry nothing over. So come early and get the cream of the coat stock at one-half price.

\$10.00 Coats	..... \$5.00
9.00 Coat	..... 4.50
8.00 Coat	..... 4.00
7.00 Coat	..... 3.50
6.00 Coat	..... 3.00
5.00 Coat	..... 2.50

FINE LACES

This lot comprises an assortment of laces from 3 to 6 inches wide that always retail at 10c to 15c and 20c a yard, your choice of the lot and as many yards as you want 5c yard

Morse Department Store

508-510 Commercial St.

Where Everybody Likes to Trade

Clearance Sale...

ON BOOKS AND PICTURES

THIS WEEK

SVENSEN'S BOOK STORE

Special Offer!

White Maple

Bed Room Suits

\$17.50

These Bed Room Suits are all well made, have French Plate Mirrors and are a bargain for the price.

CHAS. HEILBORN & SON

For Fine Furniture.

Come and See!

It will be worth your while to call and examine our stock. We will sell all our

High Grade Footwear 10 per cent Discount

And Broken Lots at 25 per Cent.

Wherity, Ralston & Company

Money Savers in Footwear.

THE holiday season over, the Big Store, with its immense corps of efficient helpers, is busily engaged in the work of readjusting stock preparatory to our annual stock taking, which takes place the last of this month. You'll find this a very opportune time to supply yourself with every household need at a considerable saving. We haven't the time nor the space to enumerate the many bargains that are here awaiting you. Just drop in and take a look. **You will find a perfect cavalcade of irresistible values here to greet you.**

SPECIAL INDUCEMENTS

offered in Cooking Stoves and Air-tight Heaters.

Let us send you a Bonetia Sewing Machine on trial. Your credit is good. Price, \$30.00; \$5.00 down, \$1.00 a week.

FOARD & STOKES CO.

Astoria's Greatest Store